

The Hunter 811

Chapter 811: Guidance

At that moment, the middle-aged man who spoke first stood up.

“I think I’m probably the one who’s leaving! I understand. I’ll leave now!” Li Xiaoran looked at this man, but didn’t speak.

Just as the man reached the door, Zi Cheng walked out and stopped him.

“It’s not you. Go back and sit down!”

When the man heard Zi Cheng’s words, his eyes were filled with surprise. Then, he turned to look at Li Xiaoran.

Li Xiaoran nodded with a smile and affirmed Zi Cheng’s words.

The middle-aged man’s eyes turned red, then moistened as he returned to his seat.

Now, the others were anxious.

Because they thought that the person who would leave was this middle-aged man, but now that they were sure that it wasn’t him, who could it be?

In the end, Li Xiaoran asked someone to bring a few bamboo pieces over. Then, she whispered a few words to Zi Zheng and sent the bamboo pieces to the remaining four people.

“After you get the bamboo piece, the four of you can leave! Go there and wait according to the instructions on the bamboo piece later!”

The four of them looked at the bamboo pieces in their hands, then left.

After five minutes, Li Xiaoran asked Zi Zheng to bring the middle-aged man and the female bookkeeper to another place, then pick up the remaining three people and settle them down.

As for Li Xiaoran, Shu Ruyue, and Zi Cheng, they went to the sliced noodles and waited for the person who was eliminated.

This person was none other than the young man who said that he had been suppressed by his mentor.

When the young man saw Li Xiaoran, he finally asked his question.

“Why me? I’m very capable!” the young man asked anxiously. Li Xiaoran didn’t answer him. Instead, she looked at Li Xiaoqing.

“Xiao Qing, serve the bowl of noodles!”

Xiao Qing agreed and served the sliced noodles.

Li Xiaoran pointed at the bowl of hot knife-cut noodles in front of her and said with a smile, “You haven’t eaten yet, right?! Hurry up and sit down. You can only have the energy to listen to me after you’re full!”

When the young man heard this, he was stunned.

At this moment, he felt a lump in his throat. He sat down, then picked up his chopsticks and ate the noodles.

However, as he ate, tears fell.

Seeing this, Li Xiaoran took out a white handkerchief and handed it over.

“If your tears fall into your food, it won’t be good for your health! If your elders were here and saw this, they would teach you a lesson!”

More tears appeared in the man’s eyes, but this time, he didn’t let them fall into the bowl. Instead, he tilted his head and wiped his tears with his sleeve.

He didn’t use the handkerchief Li Xiaoran gave him. Instead, he pushed it back silently.

“That’s not good! If your handkerchief falls into the hands of others, it will cause you trouble!” The young man explained as he wiped his tears.

When Li Xiaoran heard his words, she laughed even more happily. “Then stop crying! After you finish your noodles, I’ll tell you about your future!”

“How can I have a future?” The young man looked at Li Xiaoran, as if he was asking for confirmation!

Li Xiaoran nodded and said, “Of course you do. You’re still young, so your life is still ahead of you!”

When the young man heard Li Xiaoran’s words, he nodded and picked up his chopsticks to eat in big mouthfuls.

Soon, the bowl of noodles was finished, even the soup.

After one’s stomach was full, one would feel at ease and satisfied.

“I know you’re very good at accounting. The reason I don’t need you is because I want you to go back and settle your own matters first! You learned how to account from your mentor, but you’re leaving just like that? What if your mentor finds your family? What will your family suffer? Think about it carefully. After you acknowledged him as your mentor, did you press your handprint on anything?” Li Xiaoran reminded.

When the young man heard Li Xiaoran’s words, he recalled carefully and nodded. “Handprint? Yes, when I just became my mentor’s disciple, my mentor asked us to sign something with my handprint on it!”

“That’s right. Can you read?” Li Xiaoran thought for a moment before asking again.

The young man nodded and said, "I can recognize most words. As bookkeepers, if we can't read, we might get fooled!"

Li Xiaoran reminded, "That's good! If I were you, I suggest you go back and take a closer look at what you stamped on to see what's written on it! If you become someone else's bookkeeper without your mentor's permission, perhaps you 'll have to compensate your mentor."

The young man was a smart person. When he heard Li Xiaoran's words, his expression changed. Because he remembered something.

Not long after he became his mentor's disciple, he saw a man kneeling on the ground and begging his mentor to let him off.

In the end, his mentor only said, "I've always been on guard against you guys in case you guys betrayed me! That's why I kept this trick up my sleeve! As expected, you guys became too big for your britches! Now, it's too late to regret it. Just wait for retribution! "

Curious, he asked about it, but his mentor only said,

"Just learn from me and do whatever I ask you to do!"

At that time, he naively thought that that person had done something to let his mentor down. Now, it seemed that might not be the case.

Thinking of what he had experienced over the years, the young man immediately understood something.

"Thank you for your guidance, Madam. I think I understand! However, Madam, please teach me! If such a request is really written in the thing I pressed my fingerprint on, what should I do?"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she didn't give him a specific solution.

"Actually, you know what to do! Everything has to be resolved from the root!" When the young man heard Li Xiaoran's words, he pondered over it.

After a while, the young man stood up and bowed to Li Xiaoran three times.

"Thank you for your guidance, Madam! I, Zhong Xiaoping, can't thank you enough! After I settle my matters, I wonder if I can still be the bookkeeper?"

Li Xiaoran didn't give him an answer. She only said,

"As long as we're fated!"

Zhong Xiaoping left. He already knew what he wanted to do.

After leaving Hele Village's official road, Zhong Xiaoping rushed back to White Foothill City.

However, he didn't go home or to his mentor's place. Instead, he secretly found someone he was familiar with to ask about the disciples his mentor had taken in previously..

Zhong Xiaoping had also accumulated some connections over the years.

Through these people he usually interacted with, Zhong Xiaoping quickly found the people who had learned accounting from his mentor in the past.

However, when Zhong Xiaoping found these people, he realized that they were no longer bookkeepers.

After asking carefully, Zhong Xiaoping realized that everyone had been tricked when they learned accounting from their mentor.

When the person Zhong Xiaoping had seen kneeling and begging his mentor to let him off saw Zhong Xiaoping looking for him, he only said,

“It’s impossible for you to leave your mentor! Either you continue to work for him, earn money for him, and live a miserable life, or you have to compensate him with a huge sum of money and can no longer be a bookkeeper from now on!”

When Zhong Xiaoping heard this, he immediately asked, “Senior, is it because of the handprint we placed when we became his disciple?”

The senior brother smiled when he heard Zhong Xiaoping’s words.

“You finally understand! It’s just that it’s too late. Little Junior, as a victim, I can only tell you that don’t think about stealing and destroying that contract. The contract you’ll find is fake. Not only does our mentor have the real contract, but the authorities also have it. Therefore, from the moment you pressed that fingerprint, it means that you no longer have a choice!”

“Then how did you get rid of mentor back then?” Zhong Xiaoping asked anxiously.

“I’ve never been able to get rid of him. Later on, something happened and I took the blame for my mentor. From then on, I couldn’t be a bookkeeper anymore. Not only me, but every senior who left our mentor took the blame for him. Then, they couldn’t be bookkeepers anymore, so they left our mentor. But when our mentor needs us, we’ll still be threatened into doing all kinds of fake accounts at our mentor’s request. If we don’t go, we’ll have to compensate him with a large sum of money that we can’t afford at all!” The senior said with a bitter smile.

When Zhong Xiaoping heard this, he looked at his senior brother in surprise.

The senior brother patted Zhong Xiaoping’s hand and said, “You didn’t expect this, did you? You’re quite smart. Fortunately, you didn’t think of finding another job to get rid of your mentor. Instead, you chose to ask us first. If you found a job first before leaving your mentor, you would definitely have been taught a lesson by him! Do you remember the cripple who followed your mentor? That’s the consequence of you finding another job!”

Zhong Xiaoping was so distraught that he didn't know how he left his senior brother's place. When he returned to his house in a daze, he looked up and saw his mother's anxious face.

"Xiaoping! What's wrong? Did something happen to you?" Mrs. Zhong asked with concern.

Zhong Xiaoping came back to his senses when he heard his mother's words.

"Mother, if my mentor sends someone to look for me later, tell him that I've been sick for the past two days and am recuperating at home! Tell my mentor that I might have to wait until I recover before working!"

After saying this, Zhong Xiaoping felt dizzy and fainted.

After that, the Zhong family panicked. The doctor was also invited over and medicine was prescribed.

After the doctor prescribed the prescription, he reminded, "He's very exhausted and has to recuperate at home after drinking medicine during this period of time. He won't be able to do anything!"

The Zhong family remembered the doctor's words and went to brew medicine for Zhong Xiaoping.

That night, Zhong Xiaoping's mentor really sent someone to look for him.

Mrs. Zhong recalled what Zhong Xiaoping had said before he fainted and replied, "Xiao Zhong has been sick for the past two days. The doctor who came to see him said that he caught a cold and needs to take medicine to recuperate. Please go back and report that he's on leave!"

When the person heard Mrs. Zhong's words, he went in to see Zhong Xiaoping.

After confirming that Zhong Xiaoping was seriously ill, he left.

Zhong Xiaoping was really sick. Because he could not withstand the truth, he fell sick!

Li Xiaoran had sent people to follow Zhong Xiaoping, so she naturally knew what Zhong Xiaoping had experienced.

After knowing that Zhong Xiaoping was sick, she immediately sighed.

"I really didn't expect my guess to be right! It's just that I didn't expect Zhong Xiaoping's mentor to be so ruthless. He's using his disciples to work for his own benefit. It's fine to teach his disciples to work for him, but for good purposes! It's really rare to see a mentor who exploits others so ruthlessly!"

Luo Cheng was also listening to this matter. When he heard Li Xiaoran's words, he thought for a moment and said, "You think that highly of Zhong Xiaoping?"

"That's right! Zhong Xiaoping's accounting ability is outstanding! Unfortunately, with his mentor around, this matter became complicated!" Li Xiaoran said.

"If you really think that highly of him, just help him directly!" Luo Cheng said.

Li Xiaoran shook her head and said, "I want to see how Zhong Xiaoping will deal with it! Husband, accounting is very important to us! If a talent like Zhong Xiaoping has ill intentions, then no matter how capable he is, he can't be used! This is why when Zhong Xiaoping asked me if we could meet again, I said that we would meet again if we were fated. Actually, I just want to see how he will deal with what happened to him! I'll decide if I should hire him according to his choice!"

Luo Cheng thought for a moment and said, "Logically speaking, ordinary people probably can't resolve this big problem!"

"Ordinary people can't, but Zhong Xiaoping isn't an ordinary person! This person has brilliant thoughts, so let's wait and see! If he passes my test, I can give him a chance to make a comeback!" Li Xiaoran shook her head and insisted on her previous idea.

Luo Cheng didn't say anything. Anyway, Li Xiaoran had her own unique way of judging people.

It wasn't just that she could empathize with others and hear their thoughts, but that she had her own way of judging them.

Therefore, he didn't have to interfere too much. He only needed to remind Li Xiaoran occasionally and let her do whatever she wanted.

Perhaps this could help him recruit more capable people!

Zhong Xiaoping was bedridden for three days before he could finally get out of bed.

After lying in the house for so long, Zhong Xiaoping felt a little suffocated, so he went to his courtyard to sit for a while when the weather was good.

Zhong Xiaoping didn't tell his family that his mentor had tricked him.

The fewer people who knew about this, the better.. Moreover, his family could not help much, so he could only resolve it himself!

Chapter 813: Think Out of the Box

Zhong Xiaoping decided to bear the responsibility alone, but he was on his own, so it wasn't easy for him to do many things.

However, no matter how difficult it was, as long as he persisted, it would definitely be resolved.

Zhong Xiaoping thought about it for a long time. In the beginning, he was confused, but in the end, he gradually came up with a plan to bring down his mentor.

That's right, he couldn't do much on his own, but he wasn't alone!

There were many people who had been tricked by their mentor. They could work together to resolve this matter!

His previous senior brothers and fellow disciples, who were still in his mentor's hands, were all people he could unite with.

However, before unifying these people, Zhong Xiaoping had to do something very important. That was to find those contracts with their fingerprints.

It wasn't easy to get them from his mentor, but he could think of a way to get them from the government office.

When Zhong Xiaoping worked for his mentor previously, he had once saved someone from the government office.

Initially, he only helped the bailiff out of kindness. Unexpectedly, the two of them hit it off, so they became good buddies.

Coincidentally, his buddy happened to be in charge of many contracts filed in the government office, so it shouldn't be a problem to ask him for help.

Thinking of this, Zhong Xiaoping made up his mind.

On Li Xiaoran's side, after assigning the accounting staff, she began to do her own things.

The mutton shop was the first to open, and roasted lamb was served.

They had to make a reservation for roasted lamb, but roasted lamb chops and roasted lamb legs were available every day.

The opening of the mutton shop attracted a large number of customers through the promotion of the wine shop and grilled fish shop.

On the food street, an endless stream of customers would rush to the food street in carriages to try the delicious food of the mutton restaurant.

The delicious mutton soup, roasted lamb chops, roasted lamb leg, and roasted whole lamb were sent to the customers' table. Everyone wanted more after eating them.

The success of the mutton shop made many people who wanted to come here to do business see hope of earning money. All of them planned to open a shop.

Soon, several more delicacies were served.

The Spring Water Chicken shop also opened!

On the day of the opening, Li Xiaoran specially invited her family to try this delicacy to support Su Ling and Su Mao.

As Li Xiaoran's grandma, Old Madam Jin was naturally brought over by Li Xiaoran to eat Spring Water Chicken.

The Spring Water Chicken tasted very delicious and everyone liked it.

After that, the Spring Water Chicken business became popular under Li Xiaoran's promotion.

In the end, Young Master Xie still came to buy a house. He found a very capable chef from somewhere and prepared to use pig trotters as special dishes.

Braised pig trotters, braised pig trotters, roasted pig trotters, salad pig trotters, pig trotters soup!

Every dish tasted very good. Coupled with some other dishes, they delighted the customers' taste buds.

Other shops were opened one after another. Because they were all special delicacies, they quickly attracted the attention of foodies.

Soon, more than half of the food street's shops were open. Even without Li Xiaoran and the others doing publicity, many people found out about Hele Food Street.

Under the influence of the food street, the food stalls on both sides of the official road also became more prosperous.

Under such circumstances, it became very important for customers to have a place to relax.

At this time, Old Madam Jin suggested opening a teahouse on the food street.

"Grandma, why open a teahouse on the food street?!" Li Xiaoran asked in confusion.

"Why are you so muddle-headed?! Isn't tea a delicacy? As long as my tea is outstanding enough, it's still a delicacy!" Old Madam Jin said with a smile, "Besides, both my shop and the house at the back can be a tea room. I don't have to live there, so use the house as a tea room!"

When Li Xiaoran heard Old Madam Jin's words, she immediately understood.

That's right. Drinks were also a delicacy!

Drinks like milk tea were very popular with customers.

How could she have forgotten about this business opportunity?

Therefore, a teahouse was opened on the food street.

After Li Xiaoran thought of this idea, she recalled her promise to bring Shu Ruyue and the others to earn money together, so she called Shu Ruyue, Li Xiaoqing, Zhao Sisi, Duan Sha, and Qin Meizhen, who she hadn't seen for a long time.

In addition, Li Xiaoran also wrote a letter to Meng Yan and asked her to send money over to invest.

Li Xiaoran first made milk tea, honey lemon water, and some fruit tea.

After her friends arrived, Li Xiaoran let them try all these drinks first.

After tasting it, everyone's eyes lit up and they exclaimed that it was delicious.

"Oh my god, Xiaoran, it's only been a short while since we last met, but you've already made so much delicious food! You didn't call us here just to drink these delicious drinks, did you?!" Qin Meizhen asked directly.

Li Xiaoran asked with a smile, "I said in the past that I would definitely bring my good friends to earn money together and make your wallets bulge. In the future, you guys won't have to be bossed around by others. I'm here to fulfill my promise today! You guys think these drinks are delicious, right?! They'll definitely be liked by many customers! So, do you guys want to join this business?"

"Yes!" the women shouted in unison.

“Just invest in it! Just pay for the shares. When the time comes, you’ll get dividends according to the ratio of the money you paid. You don’t have to worry about the development and management of this shop!” Li Xiaoran made things clear.

“That’s only right. We’re riding on your coattails, so I’m already very content!” Duan Sha immediately saw the potential of these drinks. “Xiaoran! I think these drinks should be sold everywhere. This way, we can definitely earn a lot of money!”

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and said, “My goal is to sell it throughout the entire nation, but for the sake of stability, I’ll let my husband participate. At that time, we will need him to make arrangements! After all, just the few of us can’t deter those thieves!”

Li Xiaoqing nodded and said seriously, “If he joins, we can earn money steadily and won’t have to worry about being schemed against!”

Chapter 814: Zhao Sisi Gets Married

It was a good idea, but a beverage shop also needed a very important ingredient, milk.

Therefore, the most important thing now was to find cows.

However, there were very few people who raised cows in Sichuan.

Li Xiaoran’s milk tea used goat milk, but compared to milk, goat milk had a smell. It wasn’t as good as milk.

Therefore, there was no way to continue this business.

Later on, Li Xiaoran decided to put the milk tea business aside first. Instead, she sold honey lemon tea, golden orange lemon tea, and various fruit tea.

Soon, the beverage shop opened.

Li Xiaoran named this beverage shop ‘Sweet Drinks’.

As soon as this beverage shop opened, customers were attracted by these delicious drinks. For a moment, the beverage shop was overcrowded.

At the same time, it was time for Zhao Sisi and Mao Dao to get married.

Li Xiaoran placed 200 taels of silver ingot and a set of gold jewelry in a wooden box for Zhao Sisi.

Because of her second uncle and second aunt, Li Xiaoran didn’t want to send too many things over.

However, Luo Cheng gave Mao Dao a generous gift for their marriage.

As her family, Li Xiaoran and Li Xiaoqing came to Zhao Sisi’s boudoir to accompany her on the day of her marriage.

Zhao Sisi’s bridal makeup was personally done by Li Xiaoran.

The others weren't good at makeup, so Li Xiaoran took over it. As Li Xiaoqing watched from the side, she shouted,

"When I get married, you have to do my makeup too!"

When Li Xiaoran heard her sister's words, she immediately laughed.

"Don't worry, you guys are both my sisters!"

With that, Li Xiaoran looked at Zhao Sisi.

"Sister Sisi is really good-looking. With this makeup style, she looks like a fairy. Mao Dao is really lucky!"

When Zhao Sisi heard Li Xiaoran's words, she immediately blushed.

Li Xiaoqing thought of something and said with a smile, "Fortunately, we're not getting married that far off. We'll still be in the same village in the future! Speaking of which, Mao Dao bought a homestead in our village and built a house. You haven't gone to take a look yet, have you?"

"I haven't yet. Aren't we going today? I'm acting as Sisi's family today. After sending her to the bridal sedan, I'm going there to eat!" Li Xiaoran teased with a smile.

When Li Xiaoqing heard this, she immediately clamored to follow along.

"Sister, I have to follow along to take a look! If the Mao family bullies Sisi, I can help!" Li Xiaoqing said.

When Li Xiaoran hesitated, Zhao Sisi said, "Sister Ran, let Xiao Qing go with you! When the time comes, I won't be so nervous all alone in a new house!"

Li Xiaoran also understood Zhao Sisi's nervousness and nodded as she said, "Alright! Then the two of us will support Sisi today!" Li Xiaoqing and Zhao Sisi also laughed.

Before long, the groom came to get married!

After being tested many times, he finally carried his bride out and sent her to the bridal sedan.

On the other side, Li Xiaoran left the Zhao family's house and followed Luo Cheng, who was waiting outside, to the Mao family's new house.

Mao Dao had paid for the construction of this house. The money he used was all the money he had accumulated over the past year.

Back then, Mr. Mao and Mrs. Mao wanted to pay for their house, but Mao Dao rejected them.

His parents were already old, so he didn't want them to worry about money.

As for him and Zhao Sisi, they had hands and feet. As long as they did business steadily, they definitely wouldn't starve to death.

Actually, Mao Dao also had some selfish motives. In the future, his parents could use the excuse that they had given him money to boss him around.

Moreover, it was only right for him to pay for the construction of a house for his wife to live in. At least, it could save Zhao Sisi a lot of unnecessary trouble. At this moment, Mrs. Mao and Mr. Mao had already started preparing in the new house.

The things in the house were all brand new. They were also furniture ordered from Li Xiaoran's father, Li Shun.

After the Mao family's relatives came to take a look, they were all envious.

Mao Dao's sister, Mao Xiaoli, had also returned, but she didn't appear in front of others. Instead, she was helping out in the kitchen.

It was taboo for someone like her, who was divorced and regarded as a jinx, to appear when others were getting married.

However, her brother was getting married this time, so as his sister, she naturally had to help.

Soon, the Mao family's relatives went to see the bride.

When Li Xiaoran and Li Xiao Qing arrived at the new room, they were already surrounded by a group of people.

"Sigh, Mao Dao is so lucky! The bride is really beautiful!" A woman praised with a smile.

The others echoed, "That's right. Mao Dao is so lucky to have such a good wife!"

Of course, there were also people who said jealously, "That's right. With such a heavy dowry, Mao Dao's family is in luck! As expected, people have to be more eloquent. Otherwise, how could they have obtained a cash cow?"

In the past, Mao Dao was idle. Wasn't this person insinuating that Mao Dao was incompetent and only knew how to coax girls?

Mao Dao looked displeased when he heard this.

"Being eloquent is indeed a good ability! For our shop's business, Brother Mao Dao had to shout to attract such customers! Fortunately, Brother Mao Dao is eloquent. Compared to those people who don't know how to speak and offend people the moment they open their mouths, he's indeed much better. Otherwise, how could he earn money?!" Li Xiaoqing mocked.

The woman wanted to say something else, but she was stopped by another woman.

"Look at who was talking just now. That's the consort's biological sister, Li Xiaoqing! If you offend her now, you might not be able to survive here in the future!"

When the sharp-tongued person heard this, she immediately shut up and didn't dare to say anything else.

When Mao Dao saw Li Xiaoran and Li Xiao Qing, he immediately laughed.

"Madam, Xiao Qing, you guys came at the right time! I'm going to the front to toast the guests now, so I'll have to trouble you two to help!"

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she laughed.

“Go! Leave this to us!”

Chapter 815: Intercept

With Li Xiaoran and Li Xiao Qing around, the women of the Mao family didn't dare to cause any more trouble.

After the banquet started in the courtyard, the relatives left one after another.

Seeing that Li Xiaoran and Li Xiaoqing were here, Zhao Sisi immediately said anxiously, “Xiaoran, Xiao Qing, hurry up and eat! Don't go hungry!”

Li Xiaoran laughed when she heard Zhao Sisi's words.

“Don't worry! We won't starve! You'll know in a while!”

As soon as she finished speaking, she heard a knock on the door.

After Li Xiaoran walked over and opened the door, she saw Luo Ziyang, who had sent some food over!

“Madam, Luo Cheng asked me to send you some food!”

Li Xiaoran nodded and called Xiao Qing over. Then, she took the food box from Luo Ziyang and let him leave.

After that, Li Xiaoran and Li Xiaoqing took out the food from the food box and pulled Zhao Sisi along to eat.

Zhao Sisi hadn't eaten much since morning, so at this moment, she was extremely hungry when she smelled the aroma of the food.

Fortunately, the food sent by Luo Ziyang could be eaten in small bites, so Zhao Sisi wouldn't get it on her mouth after eating it.

After eating, Zhao Sisi rinsed her mouth with mouthwash.

The dishes on this table were made by Li Xiaoran's chef, so they naturally tasted delicious. The three of them were very satisfied.

After Mao Dao returned from his toast, Li Xiaoran and Li Xiaoqing left with smiles.

After three rounds, Li Xiaoran and Li Xiaoqing also returned to the Zhao family's house.

Upon seeing Zhao Sisi again and sensing the happiness she exuded, Li Xiaoran was relieved.

After Zhao Sisi and Mao Dao got married, the couple began to plan their future.

Previously, Zhao Sisi and Li Xiaoran had discussed their future plans, so they prepared to open the shop according to the plan.

Zhao Sisi and Mao Dao originally planned to buy a house and shop to do business.

However, after building the house, they didn't have much money left.

Zhao Sisi's dowry was naturally enough for them to buy a house and shop, but Mao Dao was unwilling to use his wife's money.

They could rent it anyway, so after some discussion, the couple decided to rent a house and shop to sell sweet potato noodles.

However, the couple didn't expect this matter to cause them trouble again.

Originally, Zhao Sisi planned to ask her parents to fork out some money. When the time came, she would give them dividends.

They had agreed upon it previously, but at the last moment, Zhao Long and Jin Xiaojing went back on their word.

During this period of time, Jin Xiaojing and Zhao Long had earned a lot of money by setting up a sweet potato noodles stall by the official road.

Now that the two of them had earned a substantial income, they were unwilling to work with their daughter and son-in-law anymore. They would rather continue setting up their stall and earn money themselves.

Mao Dao and Zhao Sisi didn't expect this.

If there was already a stall selling sweet potato noodles by the official road to buy, if they opened another sweet potato noodles shop on the food street, business might not be good.

The couple were conflicted now.

Zhao Sisi really didn't expect her parents to suddenly backtrack.

To be honest, she felt aggrieved.

She had just gotten married. No one from her in-laws made things difficult for her, but her parents made things difficult for her!

This feeling was even worse than others making things difficult for her.

Mao Dao's heart ached when he saw Zhao Sisi's upset expression.

To be honest, Mao Dao really looked down on his parents-in-law for their actions. They were really too undignified.

They had clearly agreed on it previously, but the situation had changed at the last minute, so Zhao Sisi felt extremely upset.

Moreover, Li Xiaoran had thought of a way to earn money for the couple, but now, his parents-in-law had snatched it from them.

What sort of situation was this?!

After Li Xiaoran recruited the attendants, she remembered that Mao Dao and Zhao Sisi's matter.

When Li Xiaoran saw Zhao Sisi and Mao Dao busy working at the sliced noodles shop, she immediately frowned.

“What’s wrong with the two of you? Didn’t I ask you two to open a shop to sell sweet potato noodles? Why are you two still working in the sliced noodles shop?”

When Zhao Sisi heard Li Xiaoran’s words, her eyes turned red and she felt aggrieved.

When Mao Dao saw Zhao Sisi’s upset expression, he walked forward.

“Madam, can we talk in private?”

When Li Xiaoran saw Zhao Sisi and Mao Dao’s reaction, she knew that something must have happened, so she nodded and walked towards the courtyard in the backyard.

Li Xiaoran sensed Zhao Sisi’s aggrieved emotions and asked calmly, “Tell me!

What happened?!”

When Mao Dao heard Li Xiaoran’s question, he told her about Zhao Sisi’s grievances.

After Li Xiaoran heard this, she was speechless!

She had never expected her second uncle and aunt to screw their daughter over.

“Why didn’t you guys come to me? If I hadn’t seen you guys here when I came to the shop, would you have planned to hide it from me?” Li Xiaoran asked angrily.

“Sisi didn’t want you to waste your time worrying about us anymore. Xiaoran, you’ve already helped us a lot!” Mao Dao said.

Li Xiaoran also knew Zhao Sisi’s personality.

“Alright, next time something like this happens, remember to look for me in time! Go and call Sisi over. I have something to tell you two!”

Mao Dao nodded, then turned around and went back to look for Zhao Sisi.

After Li Xiaoran poured herself a glass of water, she began to think about what to do for Zhao Sisi and the others.

Suddenly, Li Xiaoran smelled the aroma of Gao Chen’s stir-fried dishes.

This time, Li Xiaoran had a good idea.

At this moment, Mao Dao and Zhao Sisi also arrived. Li Xiaoran looked at the couple and said, “Do you guys still have the money to rent the shop and house?” Mao Dao and Zhao Sisi nodded in unison.

Li Xiaoran said, “That’s good! Zi Zheng, go with Mao Dao to get the money.

Rent the shop and house first. After settling the matter of the shop and house, I’ll teach you guys other culinary skills. In the future, you can use this to make a living!”

Zhao Sisi and Mao Dao trusted Li Xiaoran and would do whatever Li Xiaoran said.

Soon, the couple rented a house and shop.

Li Xiaoran asked them to change most of the rooms in the house into private rooms, like in a teahouse. Then, she brought the couple to buy groceries.

“Today, the food I’m going to make is called fried skewers! Making fried skewers is very simple. You just have to skewer the food and fry it in braised oil. After dipping it in a special chili dip, it’ll taste delicious! If you sell this, business will definitely boom!” Li Xiaoran revealed her idea..

Chapter 816: Conscience

With that, Li Xiaoran began to teach the two of them how to make skewers and fry them.

Li Xiaoran also taught the two of them how long to fry each ingredient.

In addition, braised oil and dips were also important.

Braised oil could be bought from Luo Cheng’s wine shop, but dipping sauces needed to be mixed by themselves.

It only took a day for the two of them to learn how to fry them.

“The two of you have to remember that it’s not easy to make delicious food. If others ask what kind of oil you used, you have to keep your mouth shut. Also, you can only make this dipping dish at home and bring it over. You can’t make it in the shop. The recipe has to be in your own hands. Even if someone learns how to make fried skewers in the future, don’t panic. There’s no need to lower the price. You just have to ensure that the ingredients are fresh and the recipe for the dipping dish is fine!” Li Xiaoran reminded.

Zhao Sisi and Mao Dao nodded at Li Xiaoran gratefully.

“Cousin, thank you! I really don’t know how to thank you!” Zhao Sisi held Li Xiaoran’s hand as she said with red eyes.

“There’s no need to be so polite! But what do you plan to do with your parents?” Li Xiaoran patted Zhao Sisi’s hand and asked.

“What else can I think? Let them do business and earn money! I’ll give them the filial piety they deserve in the future. There’s nothing else! Cousin, I was really hurt by what happened this time!” Zhao Sisi said uncomfortably. Li Xiaoran understood Zhao Sisi’s feelings and opened her arms to hug her.

“You’re right. Let’s do that! Not all parents are the same. Some parents might not be fated with us, so we might as well keep our distance!”

When Zhao Sisi heard Li Xiaoran’s words, she became even more determined.

Zhao Long and Jin Xiaojing were a little nervous at first. They were a little worried that Li Xiaoran would teach them a lesson after knowing what they had done.

But after waiting for a few days, nothing happened. Only then did the couple feel relieved.

Just as they were feeling relieved, Li Xiaoran appeared in front of them.

“Xiaoran, why are you here? Do you want to eat sour and spicy noodles?” Zhao Long braced himself and greeted his niece. Li Xiaoran stared at Zhao Long and said,

“Be mindful of yourselves!”

With that, Li Xiaoran left with her people.

After Li Xiaoran left, Zhao Long heaved a sigh of relief.

For some reason, Zhao Long was on tenterhooks every time he saw his niece. “She’s finally gone! Husband, what else do you think she meant?”

When Zhao Long heard Jin Xiaojing’s words, he suddenly recalled something and his expression changed.

Without saying a word, Zhao Long’s face turned pale and red.

In the end, Zhao Long could only comfort himself.

“Don’t even think about riding on Xiaoran’s coattails in the future! But it doesn’t matter. Anyway, we can earn a lot of money in the future with our food stall!”

When Jin Xiaojing heard this, she didn’t know what to say.

Did she regret it?

NO!

One should safekeep one’s own money for security.

Even if she offended Li Xiaoran because of this, she didn’t regret it.

Initially, they had delusions about riding on Xiaoran’s coattails. Instead of thinking about such nonsense, they might as well earn their own money.

Soon, the fried skewers restaurant opened!

As soon as the aroma of the fried skewers wafted out, the customers smelled it.

As a result, the customers went to taste the delicious food.

Delicacies relied on novelty and taste.

Their fried skewers possessed both attributes!

Therefore, their business immediately became popular and there was an endless stream of customers queuing up to eat fried skewers every day.

When Zhao Long and Jin Xiaojing found out about how popular Zhao Sisi and Mao Dao’s business was, they immediately regretted it.

At this moment, the couple wanted to repair their relationship with Zhao Sisi. Unfortunately, Zhao Sisi wouldn't indulge them anymore.

No matter what Zhao Long and Jin Xiaojing said, the two of them listened. However, when it came to money or benefits, the two of them refused to give in.

In the end, Zhao Long and Jin Xiaojing had no choice but to leave gloomily.

After sending her parents off, Zhao Sisi looked at Mao Dao.

"Husband, I think we should give 30% of the profits to Xiaoran! If not for her, we wouldn't have our current profits! What do you think?"

Mao Dao had actually been thinking about this as well. When he heard Zhao Sisi's words, he nodded. "I was thinking about this too! Why don't we give 40% of the profits to Xiaoran?! After all, without Xiaoran, if we relied on ourselves, we wouldn't have such good business at all!"

Zhao Sisi nodded and said, "Alright, let's give her 40%! After all, Xiaoran gave us this fried skewers business!"

Next, the couple looked for Li Xiaoran and took out the profits from this period of time to send to her.

When Li Xiaoran saw the money, she laughed.

"Since you guys are so considerate, I won't refuse! But I just want 20%! After all, the shop's business was earned with your own hard work! I'll only accept 20% for five years. After five years, I won't accept any more money!" When Mao Dao heard Li Xiaoran's words, he quickly shook his head.

"No, no, no. Madam, since you're only taking 20% of the profits, keep taking it! If not for you, our fried skewers business wouldn't have had such good business. Madam, this is a token of our appreciation. You can't refuse!"

In the end, the two of them decided to give Li Xiaoran 20% of the profit every month, and they would keep giving it.

When Luo Cheng learned about this, he laughed.

"Your efforts weren't in vain! If Zhao Sisi was like your second uncle and second aunt, her kindness would have been wasted!"

When Li Xiaoran heard her man's words, she couldn't help but laugh.

"When I helped them back then, I didn't think of getting their reciprocation! But you're right. It's very gratifying to be thanked for helping others! Not everyone in this world is heartless! After all, those without a conscience are only a minority!"

Luo Cheng felt that he had actually met many good people over the years.

There were also bad people, but there were also many good people.

All in all, there was hope in life..

Chapter 817: Reason

Xu Niansheng and the others stayed in Golden Sun Town.

They first stayed in an inn in Golden Sun Town, then bought a house from a broker.

During this period of time, the five of them bought a lot of daily necessities. Then, they tidied up the house and moved in.

That afternoon, the five of them ordered a table of dishes and chatted as they ate in their courtyard.

“Sir, have you really decided?” Gao Hu, the leader of the five, asked.

Xu Niansheng said, “Do you remember what the fortune-teller said? Don’t you think that the consort is our benefactor?”

“But that fortune-teller even called the consort ‘Madam’. Who knows if they’re in cahoots or not?!” Little Six muttered.

Not only Little Six, but Du Wen and Gao Hu also had this thought.

On the other hand, Zhen Liming agreed with Xu Niansheng.

“Don’t you think that the consort is a lucky person? How can an ordinary farm girl have the ability to become the consort in such a short time?”

Those who had expressed their doubts fell silent.

Because they had to admit that Li Xiaoran was Indeed a very ILICRY person.

When they first met her, she sold sliced noodles by the official road.

But when they saw her again, she was already the consort.

“No matter what, I believe in my own judgment! Only by following Luo Cheng and the consort can we have a chance of making a comeback and taking revenge. Think about it carefully. Who are we dealing with?” Xu Niansheng asked.

Everyone fell silent because they had to admit that what Xu Niansheng said was true.

Gao Hu thought of something and asked, “Sir, do you think those thieves who killed our family will go against the people from the imperial court one day?” Xu Niansheng nodded.

“Think about it carefully. Why did we end up like this? Why did the other party attack us? Have you thought about it carefully?”

When Gao Hu heard Xu Niansheng’s words, he thought of something.

“The reason something bad happened to my father and brother was because they were very good at forging iron! As long as it’s a weapon personally forged by my

father and brother, it'll definitely be extremely sharp. However, I've liked to practice martial arts since I was young and disliked forging iron, so I ran out to wander in the martial world. Unexpectedly, when I returned home, I realized that my family was lying in a pool of blood, while my father and brother were missing! "

Little Six thought of something and said, "There's nothing special about my sister, but she's pretty, so she was snatched by a local tyrant to become a concubine. In the end, our family was killed by the local tyrant's people! At that time, I was greedy for chicken, so I went up the mountain to hunt. When I came back, my parents were both dead! I went straight to the local tyrant to ask for her, but the local tyrant insisted that my sister wasn't at their house at all and had been saved by our own people! After I investigated for a long time, I finally confirmed that my sister had been saved!"

"What happened after that?" Du Wen asked curiously.

"I always thought that the local tyrant had killed my family, so I monitored the local tyrant's house for a month. I sneaked in one night and drugged the local tyrant's family with Soft Tendon Powder. Even after I caught the local tyrant, he refused to admit that he had killed my family. He said that after the concubine he had snatched was taken away, they threatened him not to cause trouble again, or they would kill his family. The other party was very skilled in martial arts, and the local tyrant's family didn't want to provoke such a powerful person, so they agreed to this matter!" Little Six said.

"Later, I found a coroner from the government office and forced him to perform an autopsy on my parents. In the end, the coroner said that the people who killed my parents were all skilled martial artists and probably weren't killed by the thugs in the local tyrant's family! I investigated for more than a year before I found the real enemy!" Little Six said.

Zhen Liming, Du Wen, and Xu Niansheng were from the same hometown.

They used to live in seclusion in a small village deep in the mountains. Originally, everyone lived a peaceful life. Unexpectedly, one day, a group of evil people suddenly captured the people from their village and threatened the village chief. In the end, everyone in the village was wiped out. Only the three of them who were hidden by their families weren't found. That was how they survived!

Xu Niansheng said, "Actually, I have some guesses about the reason those people slaughtered our village. There has always been a legend in our village that we're guardians of a group of treasures. However, no one took the legend seriously! Those people probably appeared because they believed this legend!"

"It might be true!" Zhen Liming suddenly said.

Du Wen and Xu Niansheng looked at Zhen Liming in confusion.

"When I was young, I liked to play hide-and-seek. Once, I hid in the weeds for a long time and fell asleep out of boredom. When I woke up again, it was already evening.

Just as I was thinking of rushing home, I saw the village chief walking towards the back mountain with two people.”

“I was very curious, so I followed them. I saw the village chief and the others press a stone on a stone wall. Then, a door appeared on the stone wall. At that time, I was very shocked, so I exclaimed and was discovered by the village chief! In the end, the village chief came over and found me. He told me that he was also playing hide-and-seek with the villagers and asked me not to tell anyone his secret! I was only five years old at that time, so I believed him and nodded. Now that I think about it, that cave probably had hidden treasures!” Zhen Liming told them about the past.

Xu Niansheng looked at Zhen Liming and asked, “Why didn’t you say anything about this before?”

Zhen Liming shrugged and said, “I was only five years old, so how could I remember so many things?! Later on, I forgot about it! If you hadn’t mentioned the reason our village was wiped out today, I wouldn’t have remembered this at all!”

“Then let’s go back to the village now and see if there’s anything left in that cave.” Du Wen immediately became excited. “If there’s really a treasure, will we still have to seek refuge with others?”

“Sit down! This matter isn’t as simple as you think!” Xu Niansheng was the most rational one, so he stopped them..

Chapter 818: Meeting an Old Friend in the Deep Mountains

Xu Niansheng said calmly, “If what’s hidden in that cave is really treasure, do you really think just the few of us can protect so many treasures?”

These words were like a bucket of cold water to them.

“Besides, what makes you think that the treasure is still there? If the other party succeeded, the treasure was definitely moved away! If the other party didn’t succeed, they might have sent people to hide in our village and search for those treasures. No matter what the situation is, it’s disadvantageous to us!” Xu Niansheng analyzed calmly.

“If the treasure has been moved away, it’s useless for us to go back. If the other party hasn’t obtained the treasure, but hasn’t given up on it all these years and left someone to search there, we’ll bump into them when we go back. In the end, either we find the treasure and it’ll be snatched away, or we’ll be captured by those people and tortured!”

Hearing Xu Niansheng's words, everyone fell silent.

"This hypothesis based on the premise that there's really treasure. What if there's no treasure? What if we end up getting killed over nothing?" Xu Niansheng delivered the final blow.

This time, the group completely gave up on finding the treasure.

"Do we really have no choice but to rely on Luo Cheng?" Little Six said indignantly.

"Why should Luo Cheng and the consort accept the five of us?! They're living a good life, so why should they take us in and help us take revenge?" Zhen Liming asked.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran still didn't know about Xu Niansheng and the others' conflict. At this moment, she was also a little dejected.

Their friends' 'Sweet Drinks' shop was doing very well, but there was no milk tea to drink. This made Li Xiaoran feel very regretful.

Therefore, in the next few days, Li Xiaoran brought Shu Ruyue and Wu Qinghe around to look for traces of cows.

This time, Wu Qinghe's divination was useless. He only told Li Xiaoran to look for cows on the high mountain. There was no other hint.

Li Xiaoran had no choice but to go into the forest to search every day. Luo Cheng had been a little busy recently. After business on the food street boomed, he began to plan other land seizures near the food street.

Therefore, only Li Xiaoran came to look for the cows!

Of course, Luo Cheng was also a little worried about Li Xiaoran's safety, so he asked Zi Cheng to follow Li Xiaoran to look for cows.

As soon as they reached a deep mountain, rain fell.

Fortunately, Li Xiaoran was already prepared and had made several things that looked like ponchos with leather. At this moment, they blocked the rain for her.

However, finding cows in the rain wasn't a good idea, so they could only find a place nearby to hide from the rain first.

However, there were dense forests everywhere nearby. The group searched for a long time but couldn't find a place to hide from the rain.

At this moment, the faint sound of barking suddenly came from the rain and fog.

"Since there's a dog, there's probably people around. We might be able to find a place to hide from the rain. Let's hurry up and move towards the place where the dog is barking!" Li Xiaoran said happily when she heard this. So the four of them looked in the direction of the barking.

Before long, a house appeared in the rain.

When the four of them saw this house, their previous joy immediately disappeared.

“Don’t you think it’s a little weird for such a big house to suddenly appear in the deep mountains and forests?! Could we have encountered a ghost?” No matter how bold Shu Ruyue was, she couldn’t help but have this thought when she saw this scene.

Zi Cheng thought of something and asked Wu Qinghe, “Wu Qinghe, you’re a Daoist. Tell me, can you catch ghosts and subdue demons?”

Wu Qinghe rolled his eyes at Zi Cheng and said angrily, “Other Daoists might know how to catch ghosts and demons, but I don’t! I only know divination! Don’t worry! I’ve already divined. Nothing will happen to us today! Let’s go in and take a look! The rain is already getting heavier. If it continues, the four of us will catch a cold and fall sick!”

Li Xiaoran felt that Wu Qinghe was right, so she nodded.

“That’s right. Let’s hurry up and knock!”

When Zi Cheng heard this, he walked over and knocked on the door.

“Is anyone there? Is anyone there? We encountered heavy rain on the way and would like to hide in your home!”

Soon, the barking in the house became more intense. If one listened carefully, they would be able to hear several dogs barking inside.

After a while, footsteps came from inside. Then the door of the house opened.

As soon as the door opened, a woman appeared in front of Li Xiaoran and the others with an umbrella.

The woman waved at the four of them and said, “Come in quickly! It’s raining heavily outside. Come in first!”

Li Xiaoran felt that this voice was familiar, so she stared at the woman as she walked over.

After walking in, Li Xiaoran saw the woman’s face clearly and immediately exclaimed.

“Qiuxiang, why are you here?”

When the woman heard Li Xiaoran call her name, she quickly looked over.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran’s hair was already wet and her head was covered by leather, making it difficult for Li Qiuxiang to see her face clearly!

“Xiaoran, don’t talk here. Let’s go in quickly! The rain is getting heavier!” Shu Ruyue quickly reminded her.

Li Xiaoran came back to her senses and quickly ran towards the house.

Although Li Qiuxiang was very puzzled, she also ran in.

Soon, the group entered the living room.

This time, Li Qiuxiang recognized Li Xiaoran.

“It’s you! Xiaoran, I really didn’t expect to see you again today!”

When Li Xiaoran saw that Li Qiuxiang recognized her, she immediately smiled.

“Sister Qiuxiang, I didn’t expect to meet you here either! Why did you appear in the deep mountains?”

“It’s a long story! Actually, this belongs to my husband’s family. I got married!” Li Qiuxiang said with a smile.

Li Xiaoran was shocked and quickly asked with concern, “You’re married? Does your husband treat you well?”

“Look at me. I look so radiant.. How can he be mistreating me? You also know that after experiencing that sort of thing, it was very difficult for me to open my heart! If my husband didn’t treat me sincerely, I wouldn’t have married him!”

Chapter 819: Too Much of a Coincidence

“By the way, wait a moment. I’ll call my husband out to meet you guys!” Li Qiuxiang said with a smile.

Li Xiaoran nodded and watched Li Qiuxiang leave.

After taking out the handkerchief she was carrying, Li Xiaoran wiped her forehead and hair. Then, she sat down and twisted her wet pants.

After Zi Zheng sized up his surroundings, he came to the window to secretly observe the situation.

Soon, a man arrived at the main hall under Li Qiuxiang’s lead.

“Husband, this is my friend, Li Xiaoran, who saved my life back then!” Li Qiuxiang introduced with a smile, “Xiaoran, this is my husband, Wu Dadong.”

Wu Dadong knew what Li Qiuxiang had experienced in the past. It was precisely because he knew that he was very grateful to Li Xiaoran, who had saved Li Qiuxiang.

“So you’re the Li family’s girl. Thank you so much for saving Qiuxiang back then and pulling her out of the mud pit. Otherwise, I wouldn’t have been able to marry such a good woman! Since you’re here today, stay here! Let Qiuxiang and I entertain you!” Wu Dadong said warmly.

After Li Xiaoran looked at the rain outside, she nodded and said, “Thank you!”

Wu Dadong turned to look at Li Qiuxiang and said, “Qiuxiang, bring the guests to the guest room! I’ll ask someone to boil some hot water. Go get some clean clothes for the esteemed guests!”

Li Qiuxiang nodded and brought Li Xiaoran and the others to the guest rooms at home.

“Sister Qiuxiang, what does your husband’s family do? Why did they build such a big house deep in the mountains?” Li Xiaoran asked curiously.

“I knew you would be curious about this! Actually, the reason my husband’s family lives here is because they built a pasture here. Our family nurtures cows, and many of the cattle are sold to the authorities. Of course, we also nurture some milk-producing cows!” Li Qiuxiang said with a smile.

When Li Xiaoran heard Qiuxiang’s words, Li Xiaoran’s eyes lit up.

“Milk cow? Are you sure they’re milk cows?”

Although Li Qiuxiang didn’t know why Li Xiaoran was so excited, she could sense that this news was very important to Li Xiaoran, so she nodded.

“It’s true. I even went to take care of those cows! However, there are very few cows, not as many as scalpers!” Li Qiuxiang said.

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and asked, “Sister Qiuxiang, can you bring me to see the cows later?”

“You should take a hot shower and change into clean clothes first! When the rain stops, I’ll bring you to see them! Don’t worry, I promised you, so I’ll definitely do it!” Li Qiuxiang said with a smile.

Li Xiaoran nodded and thanked Li Qiuxiang before following her to the guest room.

After Li Xiaoran entered the guest room, she thought of something and said, “Sister Qiuxiang, you don’t have to find clothes for us. We’re carrying clothes with us!”

Li Qiuxiang nodded.

“Then I’ll get everyone to boil more hot water and send it to you! Don’t underestimate the rain. You’ll catch a cold if you’re not careful! I’ll get someone to make some ginger soup for you in the kitchen and send you some stoves!

Your shoes and socks should be dried!”

This time, Li Xiaoran didn’t refuse Li Qiuxiang’s kindness.

After Li Qiuxiang left, Zi Zheng walked over.

“Madam, I keep feeling that this family isn’t as simple as they seem!”

Li Xiaoran nodded and said, “Of course. If they don’t have some means, how could they dare to build such a big house deep in the mountains? Didn’t you notice that there are actually many people in this house? Perhaps because it’s raining, everyone is hiding in their rooms to avoid the rain, so we didn’t see many people!”

“I keep feeling that this family is strange. Moreover, why is the person who opened the door someone you know, Xiaoran? Isn’t this too coincidental?!” Shu Ruyue

muttered, "We want to find cows, and the other party happens to have cows here! I keep feeling that this matter is too mysterious!"

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and looked at Wu Qinghe as she said, "Wu Qinghe, divine if it's a good thing or a bad thing that we're here." After Wu Qinghe looked at the rain outside, he shook his head.

"This isn't a good place to divine! The fengshui of this place is very mysterious! I just took a look. The heavenly secrets are in a mess, so I can't divine anything at all. I'm afraid we'll have to experience it ourselves this time!"

Zi Cheng thought of something and asked, "You said before that nothing would happen to us today, didn't you?"

"Yes, it was like this before, but we encountered a variable!" Wu Qinghe explained.

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment. Previously, she could sense kindness from Li Qiuxiang and Wu Dadong, so at least they were safe now.

Li Xiaoran said, "Alright, we can't rely too much on divination. Wu Qinghe is right. We have to rely on ourselves! Everyone, be vigilant! Later, Ruyue and I will go take a shower together. After we're done, it'll be your turn! Things are safer this way! If this rain continues, we might have to stay here for the night. At that time, we'll split two rooms first, then gather in one room to sleep."

Zi Cheng and Wu Qinghe nodded. They also felt that this was the best arrangement.

Soon, hot water and a brazier were brought over. Li Qiuxiang also sent a lot of fruits and pastries. However, Li Xiuxiang didn't stay long. She only reminded Li Xiaoran and the others to rest after washing up. When the rain stopped, she would come over and call them.

Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue went to wash up first. After they each took a hot shower, they changed into clean clothes and came out. Then, they let Zi Zheng and Wu Qinghe go to the urn next door to wash up.

When the four of them were done washing up, the ginger soup was ready and sent over.

Zi Cheng also had good medical skills. He checked carefully and took a small sip. After confirming that there was no problem, he let everyone drink a bowl.

The ginger soup was very effective. After a bowl of ginger soup, the four of them felt their limbs warm up.

Zi Zheng thought for a moment and said, "Madam, lie on the bed with Miss Ruyue and rest first! Wu Qinghe and I will guard the door outside!"

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and nodded. Then, she pulled Shu Ruyue to sleep under the blanket.

After running around in the deep mountains all day, with a warm blanket, Li Xiaoran and Shu Ruyue quickly fell asleep.

Zi Cheng and Wu Qinghe each moved a long stool. One leaned against the door and the other against the window. Then, they closed their eyes to rest.

It wasn't that they didn't have a sense of propriety, but in an unfamiliar place, they had to ensure Li Xiaoran's safety first..

Chapter 820: What Happened Later

Li Xiaoran woke up after sleeping for a while. She was unable to sleep well in an unfamiliar place.

Shu Ruyue sensed that Li Xiaoran was awake, so she also got up.

Li Xiaoran glanced at Zi Cheng and Wu Qinghe and said, "Why don't the two of you go next door and rest for a while? Ruyue and I feel much more energetic now! Ruyue will protect me. Nothing will happen!"

Zi Cheng thought for a moment, then got up and went next door. Then, he carried two blankets over.

After throwing a blanket to Wu Qinghe, Zi Cheng wrapped himself in it and sat on the long bench against the door.

"Madam, I'll just sleep for a while!"

Wu Qinghe did not stand on ceremony. After he wrapped himself in the blanket, he said, "We'll sit here and sleep for a while. We won't go next door!"

Li Xiaoran knew that they were worried about her safety, so they insisted on staying here.

"Alright, then sleep for a while. Ruyue and I will sit on the bed and lean against each other!"

After that, the group rested for almost two hours.

At this moment, the rain outside still hadn't stopped. Instead, it became heavier.

Li Xiaoran looked out of the window while thinking about something.

Zi Cheng and Wu Qinghe, who had already woken up, opened the door and stretched under the roof.

It looked like they were stretching, but they were actually observing their surroundings.

Li Qiuxiang might have received the news that Li Xiaoran and the others had woken up. At this moment, she walked over.

"Sister Xiaoran, are you done resting?"

"I'm already rested. Thank you, Sister Qiuxiang! It's just that the rain is getting heavier. I wonder when it will stop!" Li Xiaoran looked at the sky outside as she said worriedly.

Li Qiuxiang said, "According to the current situation, you'll probably have to stay here for the night! The weather in the mountains changes so quickly, and it rains for a long time every time!"

Coincidentally, it's the rainy season during this period of time, so it will rain for a long time! But don't worry, we have enough food at home!"

"I'm not worried about this! I'm worried that my husband will be worried about me when he sees that I haven't returned home!" Li Xiaoran said, "Sister Qiuxiang, tell me how you and your husband, Wu Dadong, met."

Li Qiuxiang came over to talk to Li Xiaoran, so she did not refuse to answer her question.

"Speaking of which, I have to start with after you guys helped me!"

It turned out that after Li Qiuxiang received the money Li Xiaoran had helped her get from the scumbag, she treated her father's illness, then moved out of her previous place with her family.

"At that time, I was afraid that that scumbag would come back and cause trouble for our family, so I quickly moved away with my parents! Fortunately, we left in time. Later, after I got married, I heard that not long after we left, a group of fierce people came looking for us!" Li Qiuxiang said with lingering fear.

"Sister Qiuxiang, it's fine now. It's all in the past!" Li Xiaoran patted Li Qiuxiang's hand as she comforted her.

Li Qiuxiang continued, "That's right! On the way, we happened to meet Wu Dadong, who was injured and fell into a ditch. I didn't want to save him at first, but later on, I thought about how I survived when I was in trouble because of your help, so I passed down this kindness. Therefore, I called my father along to save Wu Dadong and we settled down in a dilapidated temple. That temple probably hadn't been lived in for a long time and there was no one around. Our family didn't have anywhere to go for the time being, so we lived in the dilapidated temple!"

After Wu Dadong was saved by Li Qiuxiang and the others, since Li Qiuxiang's father happened to know which herbs could treat external injuries, he found herbs to apply on Wu Dadong's wound.

There was no other way.

They could only rely on Wu Dadong's luck.

Fortunately, the heavens were on Wu Dadong's side. He miraculously survived. Later on, Wu Dadong brought Li Qiuxiang and her family here to work at the cow farm.

Because he was the person who saved Li Qiuxiang's family, Wu Dadong interacted with the Li family often.

Over time, Li Qiuxiang and Wu Dadong fell in love and got married.

Li Xiaoran thought of something and asked, "Then does this cow farm belong to Wu Dadong?"

"Of course not! It belongs to the Wu family! Actually, Wu Dadong's family lives here. My husband is ranked seventh in the Wu family. He has six older brothers and five older sisters. The entire family lives here, so they built such a big house!" Li Qiuxiang said, "Speaking of which, it happens to be our turn to guard the door today, so I ran out to open the door for you when I heard you knocking!"

“Your guys guard the door yourselves?” Shu Ruyue asked in disbelief.

“That’s right. There are so many people living here. If we don’t guard the door ourselves, how can we find someone else to guard the door?” Li Qiuxiang asked in confusion.

“It’s fine, it’s fine! Sister Qiuxiang, don’t mind her!” Li Xiaoran asked again, “Then does your family live here now? Where are your in-laws?”

Li Qiuxiang said, “My parents are people who can’t stay idle. They’re probably at the cow farm now. It’s raining so heavily, so they won’t be back for a while! There’s a place to sleep and a kitchen at the cow farm. If you want to see it, you’ll have to wait until tomorrow! Tomorrow is the day my in-laws change shifts!”

“Change shifts?” When Li Xiaoran heard this, she asked curiously, “Isn’t the cow farm nearby?”

“It’s nearby, but we still have to pass through the cave. Behind the mountain wall behind us, there is a large flat grassland. If not for the unique advantage of this place, the Wu family wouldn’t have been able to raise cows here! Because most of the people raising cows work with the authorities, our family takes turns going in to work. Every three days, a group of people go in to replace the people who worked there previously! Didn’t you notice when you came in just now? There aren’t many people in the house. Actually, they all went to work at the cow farm!” Li Qiuxiang explained.

“No wonder! No wonder it doesn’t smell. So that’s the case!” Li Xiaoran said in realization when she heard Li Qiuxiang’s words.

Now, many of her doubts were resolved!